

HOUSE BILL NO. 611

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING ADDITIONAL WARNINGS TO PREGNANT WOMEN ON LABELS FOR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS; ~~AND~~ AMENDING SECTION 16-12-215, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."

WHEREAS, the state of Montana has an interest in protecting the health of children; and
WHEREAS, prenatal exposure to marijuana may lead to children being born with congenital anomalies or a predisposition to developing cancer.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 16-12-215, MCA, is amended to read:

"16-12-215. Required warning labels. A person may not manufacture, package, sell, or transfer any marijuana or marijuana product unless the package containing the marijuana or marijuana product bears the following statements in a form required by the department:

(1) "WARNING: Consumption of marijuana may cause anxiety, agitation, paranoia, psychosis, and cannabinoid hyperemesis."

(2) "WARNING: Consumption of marijuana by pregnant women may result in fetal injury, ~~and~~ low birth weight, congenital anomalies, and inherited cancers developed by a child later in life."

(3) "WARNING: Consumption of marijuana by nursing mothers may result in infant hyperactivity and poor cognitive function.""

NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. [THIS ACT] IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024.

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